

# INTH IS PREPARING FOR WINNING CAMPAIGN

Executive Committee Meets With  
County Chairmen to Lay  
Plans for Battle.

LOOK IS ENCOURAGING

Democrats Believe They Can Win  
Victory This Fall in Virginia's  
Lone Republican District and Make  
Congressional Delegation Solid.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
BRISTOL, VA., March 18.—The Demo-  
cratic Executive Committee of the  
ninth Congressional District met here  
today for a conference with Demo-  
cratic county chairmen and others  
prominent in the party looking to the  
inauguration of a winning campaign in  
the coming national election.  
Encouraged with the idea that the  
Bristol administration has been a suc-  
cess, and that the President is likely  
to receive general endorsement and be  
triumphantly elected, the party workers  
of the view in to-day's conference  
of the situation gave promise of a  
story in this district. It was argued  
at, with a strong, determined organi-  
zation. It would be more than possible  
break Slane's hold and elect a Demo-  
crat to Congress. Enthusiastic  
speeches along this line were made by  
Tate Irvine, John W. Chalkley and  
others. Resolutions were adopted pay-  
ing high tribute to the Wilson adminis-  
tration and to the President's foreign  
policy and his policy in dealing  
with Mexico and recommending a  
strong organization in the district.

FROM MEN MENTIONED

AS POSSIBLE NOMINEES

Among those mentioned as available  
for nomination to Congress were: J.  
Ormont Powell and E. Lee Trinkle;  
Wytheville; H. G. Peters of Bristol;  
John W. Chalkley, of Big Stone  
gap; W. D. Smith, of Gate City, and  
Charles W. Bondurant, of Lee County.  
Advocates of Mr. Bondurant insisted  
that he would make an ideal candidate.  
The standpoint of organization  
was pointed out that he has been  
successful as a coal operator and has  
own ability along a line that has  
heretofore not always been consid-  
ered in making nominations, and that  
is tact in effecting organizations.  
The committee voted unanimously in  
favor of inviting the State committee  
to bring the approaching State con-  
vention to Bristol, and the Bristol  
board of Trade joined in this invita-  
tion with pointed resolutions. Follow-  
ing these members of the committee  
left: Mayor Warren, of Bristol,  
at Mayor Fausch, of Bristol, Tenn.,  
and members of the Board of Trade.  
When a committee was formed to go  
before the State committee at Rich-  
mond on Wednesday in the interest of  
ringing the State convention here,  
his committee will be headed by Dr.  
D. Buchanan, district chairman.  
All members of the district commit-  
tee were present except B. H. Wilson,  
of Russell, and John H. Goss, of Bristol,  
who were detained at home. Seven  
of the county chairmen were in at-  
tendance. Neither Governor Stuart nor  
late Chairman Ellison was here, but  
it is known their hearts are in the  
work, and that each will give his in-  
fluence to the organization in the Ninth  
District.  
It was voted that a nomination for  
Congress should not be made until  
after the national convention.

IONTGOMERY REPUBLICANS

NAMING THEIR DELEGATES

CHRISTIANSBURG, VA., March 18.—  
The Republicans of Montgomery Coun-  
ty held their county convention here  
today, and elected sixty-four dele-  
gates to the Roanoke District and  
State conventions. The delegates were  
uninstructed, but will vote as a unit  
in all questions, and will present the  
name of C. W. Surface for delegate  
at the Chicago convention from this  
district. J. E. B. Smith declined re-  
election as county chairman, and M. C.  
Miller was elected, with W. H. Baker  
as secretary. Hughes is first choice  
for President, but an uninstructed dele-  
gation to Chicago is favored.

AMENDMENT STAGE

OF BIG ARMY BILL

(Continued from First Page.)

to this nation to protect the rights  
of neutrals.  
Representative Mann said many deli-  
cate and dangerous situations would  
develop after the war. The United  
States must take a prominent place,  
he said, in defending the rights of  
neutrals and in upholding interna-  
tional law.  
"I believe," he said, "that it is the  
duty of the United States to prepare  
now an army which will add to the  
weight of the suggestions we make."  
It would be necessary to pay heavily  
for the training of soldiers, said  
Mr. Mann, but that payment now  
would mean a vast saving in money  
and blood in future if the country  
were drawn into a great war.  
"It has been said here on the floor,"  
he continued, "that the President  
favors this bill. Doubtless the Presi-  
dent favors the best he can obtain.  
I have no doubt he favors it over  
existing law.  
"But this is not preparedness for  
war; it is preparedness for peace.  
The time has come when it is wise  
for us to consider the possibility and  
even the probability of the future and  
prepare now for what may come to  
us. If we do not prepare now, we may  
regret it to the end of our lives."

WISDOM AND PATRIOTISM

DEMAND PREPAREDNESS

Representative Kahn, ranking mi-  
nority member of the Military Com-  
mittee, said war came suddenly in  
modern times, and wisdom and patri-  
otism demanded a reasonable measure of  
preparedness for war.  
"No nation is the sole arbiter of its  
own destiny," he said. "We may not  
want to fight. We may utterly oppose  
war; but if some other nation should  
feel that that nation's honor could  
only be assuaged by a resort to the  
arbitrament of arms, we would natu-  
rally have to defend ourselves.  
"It has been asked," continued Mr.  
Kahn, "who we are preparing to fight.  
Great surprise was expressed because  
our army officers were not in a posi-  
tion to answer. No one knows what  
nation or combination of nations will  
ever attack us."  
Speaker Clark took the floor in the  
House to-day to speak for the admin-  
istration's army bill. He declared it  
was as good as could be expected under  
the circumstances, and predicted it

would have the general support of the  
country. Summing up what he be-  
lieved to be the view of the American  
people on the present situation, he said:  
"They want peace, but not 'peace at  
any price.' They want 'peace with  
honor,' the sort of peace that Dimsell  
—the most brilliant Englishman since  
Lord Byron—boasted that he took  
home with him from the congress of  
Berlin 'peace with honor.'"  
"While peace is the normal condition  
of Americans, and while they love it  
most fondly and pray for it constantly,  
they believe thoroughly that there are  
things worth fighting for—a belief  
which they have demonstrated with  
guns in their hands on all proper oc-  
casions. They are sure, if needs be,  
to do so again. They believe that the  
Revolutionary War and the War of  
1812 were, on our parts, just and neces-  
sary wars."

"They do not intend to see this coun-  
try turned into an armed camp. They  
are unalterably opposed, always have  
been and forever will be until the re-  
public is on its last legs, to a large  
standing army, because, while we have  
never had a big standing army here,  
they know full well that in other coun-  
tries huge standing armies have been  
the instruments of despotism.  
"They are not willing to bankrupt  
the country in military and naval  
preparations. They are, however, will-  
ing to spend all that is necessary for  
the public defense.  
"They are almost to a man against  
conscription in times of peace, but they  
are for it should it become necessary  
in times of war.  
NO ABILITY TO POSE AS  
GREAT MILITARY POWER

"They have no desire or ambition to  
have our country pose as a great mili-  
tary power, and they have no inten-  
tion of seeing it as helpless as China.  
"These hard-headed Americans be-  
lieve profoundly in the philosophy  
that 'an ounce of prevention is worth  
a pound of cure.' They are against a  
war of aggression, but they will fly  
to arms any day in a war for defense.  
They do not covet their neighbor's  
lands, and they do not intend that a  
foreign foe shall set foot on the sacred  
soil of the American republic.  
"They know that the navy consti-  
tutes the first line of defense, and that  
it has proved a very valuable help in  
every time of trouble. They know  
that coast fortifications constitute the  
second line of defense, and that ob-  
servation of the war across the sea  
proves that battleships cannot better  
down well-constructed coast defenses.  
They know that regulars, with such  
other troops as we can put into the  
field, constitute our third and last line  
of defense.  
"In view of all these facts, beliefs,  
observations and desires, the average  
American is in favor of reasonable and  
adequate preparation by land and sea,  
not for the purpose of attacking any  
nation on earth, for he believes with  
Thomas Jefferson in 'peace, commerce  
and honest friendship with all nations,  
entangling alliances with none."

WANT TO BE ABLE  
TO REPEL ANY ATTACK

"What he wants with reasonable and  
adequate armament by land and sea is  
to repel attack of any and every na-  
tion under the sun, should any nation  
be so unwise as to attack us. While  
he is not eager to pay taxes, he is  
willing to foot the bills for reason-  
able and adequate preparedness. He  
will consider the Hay bill reasonable  
and adequate for our land forces.  
"A great many people—I am not  
talking about foreigners, but about  
Americans—a great many people here  
at home sadly misjudge our national  
character. We are constantly told that  
this is the most peaceable nation be-  
neath the stars. While we are the  
most peaceable nation in the world,  
we are, at the same time, the most  
martial. The proof of that seeming  
paradox is that in April, 1861, there  
were not 20,000 soldiers in America,  
while in April, 1865, the continent  
trembled beneath the iron heel of  
2,000,000 of the finest soldiers the sun  
ever looked down upon, some in blue  
and some in gray. So it will be again,  
should the occasion arise—which God  
forbid. We were 30,000,000 strong  
then; we number 100,000,000 now."

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS  
BEGINS IMMEDIATELY

Consideration of amendments began  
immediately on the close of debate.  
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raise the rank of the chief of Coast  
Artillery from a brigadier-general to  
major-general. An amendment by  
Representative Gardner (Republican),  
of Massachusetts, to increase the com-  
mittee's figures for additional men in  
the Coast Artillery Corps from 17,000  
to 22,000 was voted down without dis-  
cussion, but after considerable argument.  
When the House adjourned, Repre-  
sentative Kahn had pending an amend-  
ment proposing a total authorized  
peace strength of 220,000 for the regu-  
lar army, instead of the committee's  
figure of 140,000. It will be taken up  
on Monday, and a test vote may come  
over its disposition.

## DEATHS IN VIRGINIA

**Mrs. Caroline Strauss.**  
Mrs. Caroline Strauss, who died at  
her residence, 2721 West Grace street,  
at 12 o'clock noon yesterday, was born  
in Baltimore, Md., seventy-six years  
ago. On May 6, 1840, she was married  
to Leopold S. Strauss, who preceded  
her to the grave three weeks ago.  
For sixty years the couple lived to-  
gether happily and had reared a large  
family. She was devoted to her fam-  
ily, but always found time to help  
others who needed attention. Her death  
is mourned by ten children, who sur-  
vive her, viz: Mrs. L. Z. Morris, Mrs.  
Bertha S. Goldharth, Miss Clara Strauss,  
Mrs. E. H. Gust, all of Richmond, and  
Sebastian A. Henry C., and Charles E.,  
of New York; Lewis S. Strauss, of  
Columbus, O. The funeral services  
will be held at the Mortuary Chapel in  
the Hebrew Cemetery to-morrow, Mon-  
day, at 11 o'clock.

**T. William Diggs.**  
T. William Diggs, a veteran of the  
War Between the States and a well-  
known citizen of Prince Edward Coun-  
ty, died at his home, near Hampden-  
Sidney, on Friday night. Funeral ser-  
vices will take place to-day from Mount  
Pleasant Church.  
Mr. Diggs, who was a son of the late  
Rev. Thomas Diggs, of the Virginia  
Methodist Conference, had a number  
of relatives in this city.

**John W. Allen.**  
John W. Allen, formerly of Rich-  
mond, who has made his home in  
Norfolk for the past twenty years,  
died Thursday, after an illness of nine  
weeks, in his residence, 305 West  
Thirtieth Street, Norfolk. He is sur-  
vived by his widow, Margaret Sims  
Allen; three children, J. B. Allen, Jr.,  
Joseph H. Allen and Miss Eunice Al-  
len; also one sister, Mrs. John R.  
Weisiger, of Richmond, and one brother,  
C. D. Allen.

**Charles H. Gast, Jr.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., March 18.—  
Charles H. Gast, Jr., son of Mr. and  
Mrs. E. H. Gast, died on Wednesday  
at his parents' home at Pamplin City.  
The lad is survived by his parents and  
three sisters.

**Mrs. Annie P. Hantzmon.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 18.—  
Mrs. Annie P. Hantzmon, aged fifty  
years, wife of Harry M. Hantzmon,  
superintendent of the city gas works,  
died at 6 o'clock this morning at her  
home, 310 East High Street. The fu-  
neral will be held from the residence  
at 11 o'clock Monday morning, and the  
interment will be private. Mrs. Hantz-  
mon was a daughter of the late Rich-  
ard Thomas, of Lewisburg, W. Va.  
Much of her life was spent in Alexan-  
dria, Va. Besides her husband, Mrs.  
Hantzmon is survived by three chil-  
dren—Mrs. S. C. Black, Richard G.  
Hantzmon and Miss Ethel Hantzmon  
all of this city. She also leaves four  
sisters—Mrs. James B. Pence, of Union,  
W. Va.; Mrs. James Pickin, of Alex-  
andria, Va.; Mrs. Charles Pickin, of  
Charlottesville, Va., and Mrs. Robert El-  
lett, of Braddock, Va.

**Claude Johnson.**  
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 18.—  
Claude Johnson, aged eighteen years,  
son of Rev. J. W. Johnson, a Baptist  
minister, died at 4 o'clock this morn-  
ing.

ing at a local hospital, where he un-  
derwent an operation recently for  
mastoiditis. The funeral will be held  
at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from  
the First Baptist Church. Besides his  
parents, Mr. Johnson is survived by  
two brothers and one sister. He was  
a leader in church and Y. M. C. A.  
activities.

**Funeral of Henry Bea.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., March 18.—  
The funeral of Henry Bea, one of the  
best-known farmers in Albemarle  
County, took place at 3:30 o'clock this  
afternoon from State Hill Church, the  
services being conducted by the Rev.  
M. L. Hamister, of the Baptist Church.  
Mr. Bea is survived by his wife and  
two children.

**Mrs. W. D. Ray.**

HARRISONBURG, VA., March 18.—  
Mrs. W. D. Ray, twenty-eight years old,  
died yesterday near Rawley Springs.  
She leaves two children, twins, five  
days old.

**Mrs. Deliah M. Pugh.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
LYNCHBURG, VA., March 18.—Mrs.  
Deliah Margaret Pugh, aged twenty-  
five years, wife of C. H. Pugh, of

Wauchula, died this morning at the  
Lynchburg hospital, where she was a  
patient for eight months. Mrs. Pugh  
was a native of Bedford County and  
lived at Wauchula. Her body will be  
taken back to her former home for  
burial.

**William Tyler.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
PETERSBURG, VA., March 18.—Wil-  
liam Tyler, an employee of the Du  
Pont plant, died last night at the Hope-  
well hospital of pneumonia. The body  
was brought to this city this evening  
to be held for disposition. In the  
pocket of the deceased was found a  
memorandum bearing the name of a  
sister living in Washington, D. C., and  
efforts were made to communicate with  
her.

**Mrs. Mary Rives.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
PETERSBURG, VA., March 18.—Mrs.  
Mary F. Rives, wife of Alex. R. Rives,  
and a highly esteemed resident of Et-  
rick, died very suddenly last evening  
of heart attack, at her home in that  
village. She was a native of Bruns-  
wick County, was sixty-five years old,  
and is survived by her husband and  
by two children, Mrs. R. Emmett  
Vaugh, of Ettrick, and of George Rives,  
of West Virginia.

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